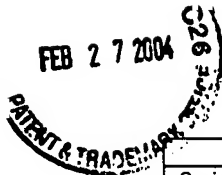


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 10544/169
Serial No. 10/035,025	Filing Date December 28, 2001	Examiner Elizabeth M. Kearney	Group Art Unit 2882
Inventor(s) Vladimir Protopopov			
Title of Invention DARK-FIELD PHASE CONTRAST IMAGING			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Petition and Fee for Extension of Time (3 Months) (2 pages/in dup); Notice of Appeal (2 pages/in dup); checks in the amount of \$950 to cover the Petition Fee for Extension of Time and \$330 to cover fee for Notice of Appeal; and return receipt postcard.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Petition for a three month extension of time.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

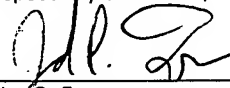
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Indep.		Minus			x 43 =		x \$86 =	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+ \$145 =		+ \$290 =	
					Total add'l fee	\$	Total add'l fee	\$

- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Checks in the amount of \$950 to cover the petition fee for extension of time and \$330 to cover the fee for Notice of Appeal are enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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In re Application of:

Vladimir Protopopov

Serial No: 10/035,025

Examiner: Keaney, Elizabeth M.

Filed: December 28, 2001

Group Art Unit: 2882

For: DARK-FIELD PHASE  
CONTRAST IMAGING

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Final Office Action dated August 21, 2003 for a period of three months.



Applicant:



claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.



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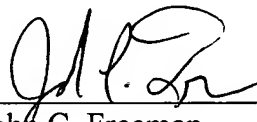
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**Fee Payment**

- ☒ Attached is a check for \$950 for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 23, 2004

  
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